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SINCE FOREIGN VISITORS HAVE BEEN USING JAPAN'S OFFICIAL
2 PCT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AS REASON WHY JAPAN HAS SUFFERED
LESS THAN OTHER OECD NATIONS FROM PROLONGED POST OIL
CRISES RECESSION, ECONOMIC ANALYSTS, LABOR UNIONS AND
EVEN GOJ OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ASSERTING WITH INCREASING
FREQUENCY THAT US AND JAPAN USE DIFFERENT METHODS FOR
COMPILING UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS. JAPANESE NOW ARGUING
THAT IF THEY USED US SYSTEM, JAPANESE RATE WOULD AT LEAST
BE DOUBLE CURRENT FIGURE. WHEN ASKED, EMB OFFICERS HAVE
RESPONDED THAT US AND JAPAN USE SAME METHOD IN COUNTING
UNEMPLOYED (PERSON WHO HAS ACTUALLY LOOKED FOR WORK FOR AT LEAST
4 WEEKS AND IS UNABLE TO FIND IT) - AS WELL AS EMPLOYED -
PERSON WORKING ONE HOUR OR MORE A WEEK. THIS REPLY
DRAWN FROM BLS 1973 REPORT "HOW GOVERNMENT
MEASURES UNEMPLOYMENT." WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION
THAT OUR UNDERSTANDING CORRECT.
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